

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please amend the title at line 1 on page 1 of the specification as follows.

--**METHOD OF PREPARING A MOLDED CROSS VEHICLE BEAM--**

Please insert the following between lines 1 and 3 on page 1 of the specification.

**CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED PATENT APPLICATION**

The present patent application claims the right of priority under 35 U.S.C. §121 of United States Patent Application Serial No. 10/321,321, filed December 17, 2002, now United States Patent No. 6,688,680 B1.

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